

**Area A Parks and Recreation Commission  
Regular Meeting – 7pm October 20, 2011**

Regrets: Greg Farley

Guests: Ryan Dias, CVRD Parks staff

1. Minutes approved from last meeting. MSC.

2. Business arising from minutes - Ryan Dias presented a budget to complete and upgrade the trail in Mill Springs from the storm water retention pond to Deloume via the water board wetlands. Some members expressed surprise at the amount and **requested Ryan revisit a budget based on a simpler scheme.**

**3. Continuing Business:**

**Deloume Park (Mill Springs):**

- The initial phase of the park is almost completed.
- Shrubbery will be planted at a later date.
- The concrete slab for the court (basketball) will be poured in the next week or so.
- South Cowichan Rotary and Lions clubs will be approached regarding possible funding opportunities for all access playground equipment.
- Playground equipment selection will take place over the winter.
- Fence – Mill Springs Strata council will be approached for permission for the homeowner to extend their fence along the property line of the lot next to Deloume Park.
- Discussion whether or not Mill Springs Strata Corporation would be willing to contribute some money to help finance Deloume Park. The question of “ownership” was discussed.

**We recommend that a representative of the Mill Springs Strata Council (preferably the president or vice president) attend the next PRC meeting for input and information purposes. MSC. We also request Ryan Dias attend this meeting to provide information about equipment selection.**

**4. New Business:**

a. The 2012 PRC budget (Updated October 20, 2011 and titled *Electoral Area A 2012 Community Park Budget Planning*) was reviewed and discussed at length. In addition to agreeing with the draft budget as presented by staff,

**The Area A Parks and Recreation Commission recommend to the board that the existing tax requisition be doubled from approx \$105,000 to \$210,000 to cover essential key capital projects in 2012. MSC.**

The additional monies are needed to complete Deloume Park and to finish and connect the trail network that has been started in the community.

The extra \$105,000 will be spent on the following projects:

\$65,000 for Deloume Park

\$25,000 for Hollings Creek trail upgrade and loop

\$15,000 for finishing and connecting our community trail network from Good Hope Creek to Lilmac.

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It was suggested that the playing surface at Deloume Park be made of recycled rubber tires, which is manufactured in Shawnigan Lake, thereby supporting other community endeavors. **Ryan Dias agreed would look into the costs and funding assistance available.**

b. Mill Bay Marina.

It is understood that the developer of the marina will supply the community with a waterfront walkway, signage, etc. including a new community boat launch ramp and other amenities. Should the boat launch ramp fail to be rebuilt due to environmental or logistical issues; there is cash in lieu provision.

c. Area A Director's Report:

The regional director provided updates on several other projects occurring in the community.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:42pm.

**Next Meeting: November 17, 2011 – Brentwood College (Crooks Hall Boardroom)**  
**7pm**